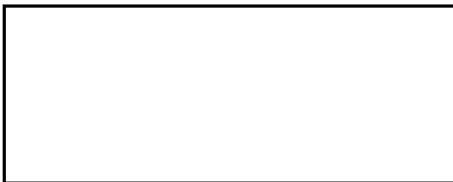


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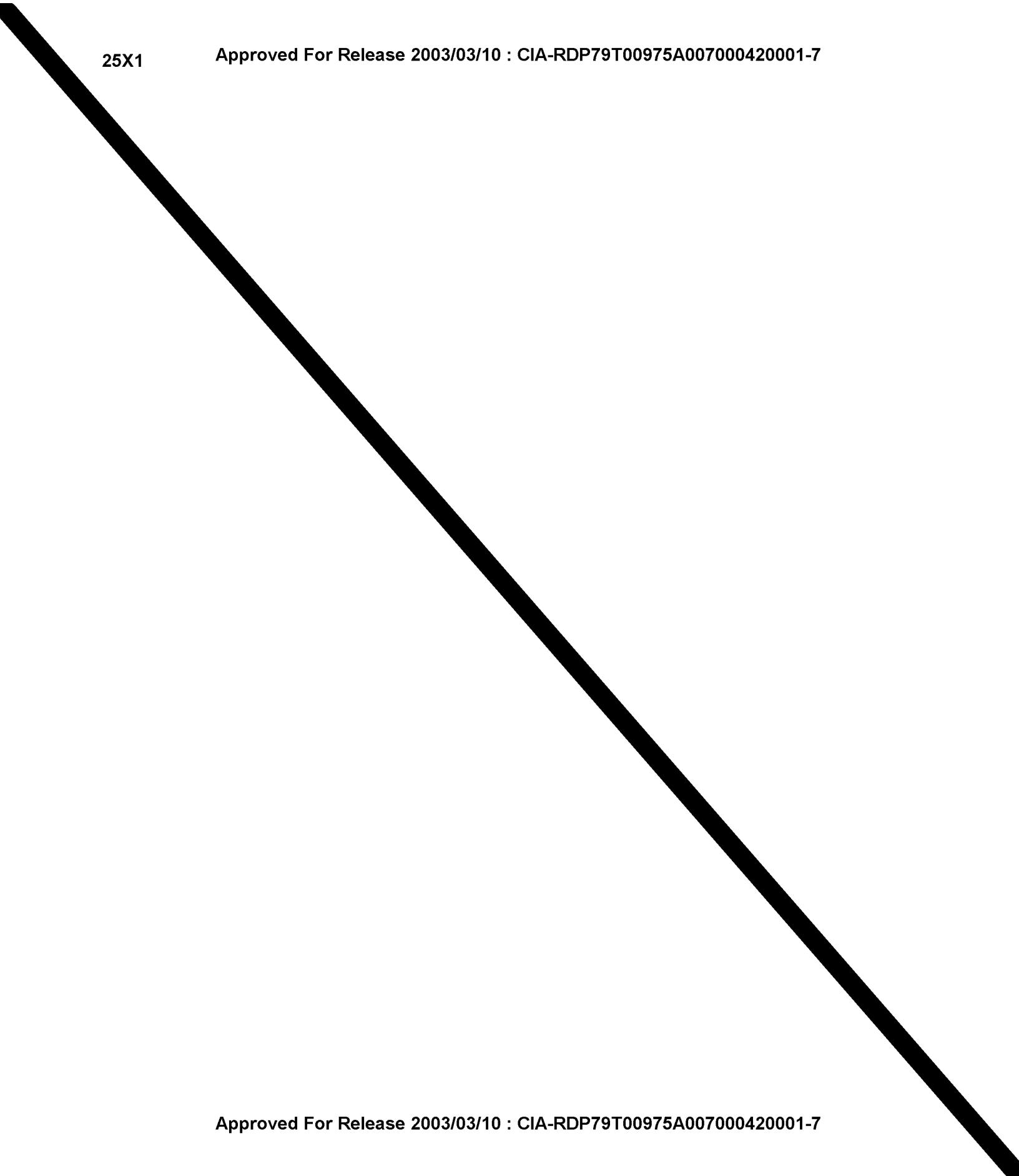
DAILY BRIEF

*USSR--Nuclear Test Ban: (Moscow has withdrawn its offer of two or three on-site inspections to police a ban on nuclear tests.)

(Khrushchev was explicit with Harold Wilson on this point during their conversation of 10 June--the same day that Moscow, Washington, and London announced agreement to hold high-level talks on a test ban in Moscow next month. Khrushchev had implied earlier that he had backed away from his offer of last December. His remark to the British Laborite leader is the first explicit statement to this effect.)

(There was nothing in Khrushchev's remarks, as reported by Wilson to Ambassador Kohler, to support Wilson's public assertions that Khrushchev now is favorably inclined toward a partial test-ban agreement which would not include underground tests. Moscow has consistently rejected such an agreement on the grounds that it would "legalize" underground testing.)

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South Vietnam: (The Diem government's position may become increasingly precarious if pending negotiations with Buddhists fall short of meeting their major demands.)

(Tensions have increased in the past few days as a result of continuing provocations by both sides.)

(While the American Embassy in Saigon believes nothing short of a dramatic, conciliatory gesture by President Diem himself now will resolve the conflict, there has been little to indicate that Diem is prepared to go much beyond earlier concessions offered. Reports persist that some of the Buddhist leadership remains determined to press new demands in an effort to try to bring down the government.)

(The growing internal crisis and criticism from abroad, particularly in Buddhist countries, may be leading to serious disaffection within South Vietnamese government and military circles.)

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NOTES

*UAR-USSR: The UAR is apparently seeking replacement of Soviet planes, tanks, and other materiel lost during the conflict in Yemen.

[redacted] this is the primary purpose of UAR Vice President Amir's current visit to Moscow. Egyptian equipment losses in Yemen probably have been heavy; the USSR complied with a similar Egyptian request made following the 1956 Sinai campaign.)

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Turkey: Prime Minister Inonu is reshuffling his cabinet in an attempt to strengthen his tripartite coalition government. The ministers of Justice, Commerce, Communications, Education, and Press, Broadcasting and Tourism are being replaced by representatives of the same political parties their predecessors belonged to. Inclusion of a retired general as one of the new ministers is probably intended to increase the government's acceptability to the military leadership.

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